FINAL RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the Action Plan Team: Advocacy, Partnerships and Marketing

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The USFA has not aggressively pursued opportunities for partnership in data collection, curriculum development and delivery, technology applications, public safety education, and research and development.

Recommendation #: R-148 Submitted: Restore full USFA participation in NWCG. Summary: **Recommendation:** A. Restore partnership opportunities with the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG). The USFA should have an invested interest to participate in the activities of the NWCG. B. Over this past year, the USFA participation in NWCG has been restored. One Staff Member participates in the Policy Group, one participates in the Interface Group and a third staff member participates in the Training Group. C. The current participation is fully endorsed and includes travel funds. **Background:** There is a need for the USFA to have a national role as partners with the NWCG. The USFA had a small role as a partner but was not generally recognized nor supported. Over time, this partnership became limited due to a reduction of financial and human resources necessary to have USFA staff participate in NWCG activities. Timeframe: Ongoing **Conclusion:** Recommendation R-148 has been addressed and implemented. Submitted by: Action Plan Team - Advocacy, Partnerships and Marketing Team Team Leader and Members: Jeff Dyar Diane Close Bob Murgallis Roxane Deardorff Myrna Mood John Ottoson Merril Sollenberger Joyce Glass

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